

RENTON CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

August 5, 2002
Monday, 7:30 p.m.

Council Chambers
Renton City Hall

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jesse Tanner led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and called the meeting of the Renton City Council to order.

**ROLL CALL OF
COUNCILMEMBERS**

TONI NELSON, Council President; KING PARKER; TERRI BRIERE; KATHY KEOLKER-WHEELER; DAN CLAWSON. MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCILMEMBERS RANDY CORMAN AND DON PERSSON. CARRIED.

**CITY STAFF IN
ATTENDANCE**

JESSE TANNER, Mayor; JAY COVINGTON, Chief Administrative Officer; LAWRENCE J. WARREN, City Attorney; BONNIE WALTON, City Clerk; GREGG ZIMMERMAN, Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator; NEIL WATTS, Development Services Director; LESLIE BETLACH, Parks Director; SYLVIA ALLEN, Recreation Director; KAREN BERGSVIK, Human Services Manager; PAUL KUSAKABE, Fiscal Services Director; COMMANDER KATHLEEN MCCLINCY, Police Department.

**ADMINISTRATIVE
REPORT**

Chief Administrative Officer Jay Covington, reviewed a written administrative report summarizing the City's recent progress towards goals and work programs adopted as part of its business plan for 2002 and beyond. Items noted included:

- ✱ The Renton Public Library now offers electronic mail notification for overdue materials and items on hold. Library users can sign up for this service at the Renton Public Library or the Highlands Library.
- ✱ The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada awarded the City of Renton the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for its fiscal year 2002 Budget document.

AUDIENCE COMMENT
Citizen Comment: Johnson –
Spencer Court Apartments
Alley, City Parking Lot Noise
(Wells Ave S)

Arland "Buzz" Johnson, 334 Wells Ave. S., Apt. 221, Renton, 98055, stated that although the police are monitoring the activity in the City parking lot located to the north of the Spencer Court Apartment building located on Wells Ave. S., problems with noise, especially on Friday nights, continue to occur. He suggested that the City seek a long-term solution to the problem such as adopting noise or no-loitering ordinances, or closing the parking lot from 2:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m. In regards to the early-morning noise generated by the fans used by Service Linen Supply located to the south of the apartment building, Mr. Johnson reported that Service Linen agreed to start their fans later in the morning.

Mr. Johnson also expressed his concern about the alley located behind the Spencer Court Apartment building, saying that there are plans to resurface it and to install speed bumps which may cause difficulty for the residents. He also noted that residents must cross the alley when they exit through the rear of the apartment building to get to their parking lot. Mr. Johnson recommended that the alley be closed off or rerouted.

Council President Nelson noted that unfortunately, the Spencer Court Apartment building was built in a noisy area. Councilmembers questioned whether the alley was public or private property, and Mayor Tanner asked Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator Gregg Zimmerman to investigate

the matter.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items on the consent agenda are adopted by one motion which follows the listing. At the request of Councilwoman Keolker-Wheeler, items 5.f. and 5.h. were removed for separate consideration.

Council Meeting Minutes of July 22, 2002

Approval of Council meeting minutes of July 22, 2002. Council concur.

Appointment: Airport Advisory Committee

Mayor Tanner reappointed the following individuals to the Airport Advisory Committee for three-year terms expiring 5/7/2005: Robert Moran, 425 Wells Ave. S., Renton, 98055, as South Renton neighborhood primary representative; Glenn Reynolds, 55 Logan Ave. S., Renton, 98055, as South Renton neighborhood alternate representative; and Jan Fedor, 1245 Sunrise Pl. SE, Issaquah, 98027, as The Boeing Company aviation representative. Council concur.

Appointment: Human Rights & Affairs Commission

Mayor Tanner reappointed Sandel DeMastus, 1137 Harrington Ave. NE, Renton, 98056; Antonio P. Cube, Sr., 1609 Morris Ave. S., Renton, 98055; and Charles Thomas, 4408 NE 11th St., Renton, 98059; each to the Human Rights and Affairs Commission for a two-year term expiring 9/19/2004. Council concur.

Court Case: Loran B Hendrickson Family Limited Partnership, CRT-02-007

Court Case filed by Jemima J. McCullum of Gordon, Thomas, Honeywell, Malanca, Peterson & Danheim, LLP, PO Box 1157, Tacoma, 98401, representing Petitioner Loran B. Hendrickson Family Limited Partnership alleging that the City's decision made on July 1, 2002, denying and/or conditioning sewer service to the Petitioner's property located outside Renton City limits is an erroneous interpretation of the law. Refer to City Attorney and Insurance Services.

Court Case: Sound Transit, CRT-02-008

Court Case filed by Larry J. Smith of Graham & Dunn, 1420 5th Ave., 33rd Floor, Seattle, 98101, representing Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority (Sound Transit) who seeks acquisition of property and property rights by eminent domain for property owned by Renton (located in the vicinity of SW 27th St.) in order to permanently locate, construct, operate, and maintain the Tacoma-to-Seattle commuter rail project and its related facilities. Refer to City Attorney and Insurance Services.

Plat: Parkside Court, SE 2nd Ct & Lyons Ave SE (FP-02-062)

Development Services Division recommended approval, with conditions, of the Parkside Court Final Plat; 21 single-family lots on 4.98 acres located in the vicinity of SE 2nd Ct. and Lyons Ave. SE (FP-02-062). Council concur. (See page 313 for resolution.)

CAG: 00-098, WA City & County Pipeline Safety Consortium

Water Utility Division recommended approval of an amendment to CAG-00-098, interlocal agreement establishing the Washington City and County Pipeline Safety Consortium, in the amount of \$5,000 for renewal fees to extend the agreement for one year, until June 5, 2003. Refer to Utilities Committee.

CAG: 02-035, NE 2nd St Storm Line Extension, Scarsella Brothers

Surface Water Utility Division submitted CAG-02-035, NE 2nd St. Storm Line Extension; and requested approval of the project, authorization for final pay estimate in the amount of \$2,595, commencement of 60-day lien period, and release of retained amount of \$5,883.47 to Scarsella Brothers, Inc., contractor, if all required releases are obtained. Council concur.

MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL APPROVE

THE CONSENT AGENDA AS AMENDED TO REMOVE ITEMS 5.f. and 5.h. FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION. CARRIED.

Separate Consideration

Item 5.f.

Development Services: City View Short Plat, ROW Dedication, Lind Ave NW at NW 2nd Pl

Development Services Division recommended Council acceptance of the dedication of cul-de-sac, an extension of Lind Ave. NW at NW 2nd Pl., for additional right-of-way to fulfill a requirement of the City View Short Plat (SHP-98-173).

Councilwoman Keolker-Wheeler pointed out that there were a number of problems associated with the City View Short Plat, and she questioned whether all the conditions of the plat have been met as there were complaints from neighboring residents, especially pertaining to drainage and erosion problems. Development Services Director Neil Watts stated that the City has not received any complaints from the neighbors in over a year. He reported that the drainage and erosion control issues were addressed, and he assured Council that the developer met all plat conditions.

MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEM 5.f. AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

Separate Consideration

Item 5.h.

Public Works: Referendum 51 Support, Statewide Transportation Projects

Planning/Building/Public Works Department recommended adoption of a resolution in support of Washington State's Referendum 51 (Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 6347), to be placed on the November 2002 ballot, which is for the funding of statewide transportation projects including an SR-167 Corridor Study, improvements to increase capacity on I-405 in Renton, and completion of HOV lanes on SR-167.

Councilwoman Keolker-Wheeler questioned why this item was listed as Council concur as she was of the understanding that Council had agreed that prior to taking any action on ballot items, a pro and con discussion on the item would take place for the Council and public's benefit.

Pointing out that the City has supported this issue from the beginning, Mayor Tanner stated that he assumed he had the support of Council; however, he had no objections if Council needed additional time to consider the issue.

Councilmembers Parker and Nelson agreed that a pro and con discussion should be held on this issue, but due to the short time line, recommended moving forward with approving the resolution. Chief Administrative Officer Jay Covington stated that he would try to schedule a special presentation for the August 19th Council meeting providing he can find representatives to speak both for and against the issue.

Council agreed to revisit the matter on August 19th, and it was noted that the absent Councilmembers would then have an opportunity to vote on the resolution as well.

CORRESPONDENCE

Citizen Comment: Harbour Homes, Reimbursement for Oversizing the Sewer Line at Parkside Court

A letter was read from Kurt Wilson of Harbour Homes, 1010 S. 336th St., Ste. 305, Federal Way, 98003, requesting oversizing reimbursement of costs for increasing the sanitary sewer line capacity to accommodate future expansion of the City's sewer system which fulfilled a requirement of the Parkside Court development (PP-01-012) located in the vicinity of SE 2nd Pl. and Lyons Ave. SE. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL REFER THIS MATTER TO THE UTILITIES COMMITTEE. CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS

Finance Committee Chair Parker presented a report recommending approval of

Finance Committee

Finance: Vouchers

Claim Vouchers 206131 - 206555 and three wire transfers totaling \$1,265,721.08; and approval of Payroll Vouchers 39126 - 39454, one wire transfer and 562 direct deposits totaling \$1,773,085.59. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Transportation (Aviation) Committee

Transportation: Strander Blvd/SW 27th St Connection, WSDOT Grant, CAG-94-054

Transportation (Aviation) Committee Member Keolker-Wheeler presented a report regarding the Strander Blvd./SW 27th St. Connection project. In 1994, the City and the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) signed a local agency agreement authorizing the City to receive \$344,000 in Federal funds (Resolution No. 3052). In 1999, the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) awarded an additional \$746,000 in Federal funds for this project. However, due to funding circumstances, PSRC is not able to obligate funding until the new Federal Transportation Act is passed. The City is requesting Advanced Construction. When the new Transportation Act is passed, if it allows Advance Construction funding, the City will receive \$746,000. Per the WSDOT agreement form, there is no guarantee of reimbursement. It depends on approval of TEA-21 funding in the next Federal Transportation Act. However, the Administration is confident that funding will be approved.

The Committee recommended Council approve the resolution and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into the local agency agreement supplement and any subsequent agreements for preliminary engineering funding for the Strander Blvd./SW 27th St. Connection (CAG-94-054). Matching funding in the amount of \$116,428 will come from the SR-167 I/C /SW 27th St./Strander Blvd. Corridor Project #7, in the Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) 2003-2008. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED. (See page 313 for resolution.)

Transportation: Traffic Calming

Transportation (Aviation) Committee Member Keolker-Wheeler presented a report regarding the traffic calming menu of options. The Committee reviewed the proposed traffic calming menu of options and process. The menu of options consists of a two-tiered approach. Tier 1 are removable or passive measures, and Tier 2 are permanent or active measures. Passive measures, such as reader boards, signage and channelization, require minimal investment and can literally be removed. Active or permanent measures require construction and cannot be easily removed. Tier 1 measures should be implemented first, and if they do not work, turn to the more permanent Tier 2 measures.

The Transportation Division will receive requests for traffic calming from neighborhoods and citizens. Because these measures affect an area, requests should come from a neighborhood or homeowners association. This assures area-wide support for implementing a traffic calming measure. If the issue cannot be resolved with the Tier 1 measure, the Transportation Division will evaluate the issue, identify Tier 2 options that are appropriate for that situation, and work with the neighborhood to determine which of the appropriate options they prefer.

This recommended process is similar to traffic calming programs in other cities. Judging from their experiences, traffic calming could be an expensive program both in terms of manpower and materials and construction. If it is determined that this new program will require dedicated funding or additional staff resources for effective implementation, options will be brought back in the coming months

for consideration by Council.

The Transportation Committee recommended that the Council authorize the Mayor to implement the traffic calming process and menu of options. **MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.**

Councilwoman Keolker-Wheeler thanked City staff for their work on this project, and stated that these traffic calming options offer new opportunities for assistance with neighborhood traffic problems.

Community Services
Committee

Community Services:
Maplewood Golf Course Water
Treatment Facility Redesign

Community Services Committee Vice Chair Clawson presented a report regarding the Maplewood Treatment Facility site design at the Maplewood Golf Course. The Committee recommended concurrence in the staff recommendation for the golf course to pay for the redesign fees to locate the water utility treatment facility adjacent to the east side of the driving range for an amount not to exceed \$50,000; allocate an additional \$20,000 for the netting design associated with the 52-stall parking addition; and allocate \$10,000 for golf course architect project coordination, meetings, and plan and specification review. The total cost in the amount of \$80,000 will be funded from the golf course un-designated fund balance. **MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.**

Human Services: 2003 CDBG
Funds Allocation

Community Services Committee Vice Chair Clawson presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation that the 2003 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) estimated allocation of \$388,179 be distributed according to the Human Services Advisory Committee recommendations as follows:

CDBG PUBLIC SERVICES

Communities in Schools of Renton	\$13,000
Community Health Centers of King County	\$13,000
ElderHealth NW/Connection	\$9,000
Emergency Feeding Program	\$12,000
Visiting Nurse Services of the Northwest	\$7,200
Domestic Abuse Women's Network	<u>\$10,049</u>
Total	\$64,249

CDBG CAPITAL REQUESTS

City of Renton Minor Housing Repair	\$185,000
Children's Therapy Center	\$45,000
King County Housing Repair Program	\$50,000
Friends of Youth/Griffin Home	<u>\$43,930</u>
Total	\$323,930

The Community Services Committee also recommended adoption of the Contingency Plan for 2003 CDBG funding as adopted by the Human Services Advisory Committee should amounts available for 2003 programs increase or decrease. Should there be an increase or decrease in CDBG public services funding, it is recommended that any increase or decrease in funding be applied proportionately based on the project's percentage of the total CDBG public services allocation.

If there is an increase in CDBG capital funding, it is recommended that all projects, with the exception of the King County Housing Repair Program, be

increased proportionately. To determine the proportional amount of the increase, the percentage calculations shall not include the amount allocated to the King County Housing Repair Program.

If there is a decrease in CDBG capital funding, it is recommended that any decrease be applied proportionately to all projects with the exception of the City of Renton Minor Housing Repair Program. To determine the proportional amount of the decrease, the percentage calculations shall not include the amount allocated to the City of Renton Minor Housing Repair Program. **MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT.***

A letter from Councilman Persson was read into the record regarding the CDBG fund allocation to the Griffin Home as he was unable to attend the Council meeting. In his letter, Mr. Persson expressed his concern about the potential expansion of the Griffin Home past the current 24 residents. He stated that although he is not against the current plan to expand and provide services for a total population of 24 residents, providing funding for the Griffin Home may indicate that the City is endorsing the facility and its services, and this endorsement could be used to raise money for expanding the home and the number of offenders served at that location. He stated that the City needs assurance that the facility will not expand in the future to house more residents. Mr. Persson requested that Council consider holding this issue until his return so he can participate in the discussion.

Councilman Clawson explained that approval of the funding is needed in order for the Griffin Home to obtain matching funds from another source, and he pointed out that the issue had already been delayed a few weeks and further delay may harm the Griffin Home in obtaining matching funding. Mr. Clawson stated that a Griffin Home representative did meet with the Committee to address concerns about the project, and he recommended going forward with the Committee report.

Development Services Director Neil Watts confirmed that the Griffin Home is comprised of 13 separate platted parcels, but explained that expansion of the existing buildings would require a conditional use permit. Potentially, a smaller group home could be built on one of the parcels that is not already encroached upon by the existing buildings without a conditional use permit. Mr. Watts stated that the Griffin Home plans to construct two group homes for six occupants each, and will reduce the number of occupants in the existing buildings. He noted that the Griffin Home intends to remain at 24 residents.

Councilman Parker indicated that although he understands Councilman Persson's concerns, this is not the proper venue for discussion of density and development matters.

***MOTION CARRIED.**

Council discussion ensued regarding the Griffin Home and the service it provides.

Human Services: 2003 General
Fund Allocations

Community Services Committee Vice Chair Clawson presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation that the 2003 General Fund allocation of \$228,300 be distributed according to the Human Services Advisory Committee recommendations as follows:

Catholic Community Services-Volunteer Chore Services	\$5,000
Catholic Community Services-Emergency Assistance	\$10,000
Catholic Community Services-Katherine's House	\$4,000
Child Care Resources-Child Care Referrals	\$7,500
Children's Therapy Center	
\$2,500	
Community Health Centers of King County-Primary Medical Care	\$24,000
Crisis Clinic-Phone Services	
\$3,300	
Crisis Clinic-TEEN LINK	
\$1,000	
King County Sexual Assault Resource Center	\$30,000
Multi-Service Center-Transitional Housing for Homeless Families	\$2,000
Pregnancy Aid of Kent-Transitional Housing for Pregnant Women	\$1,000
Renton Area Youth & Family Services-Drug, Family Counseling	\$57,000
Renton Clothes Bank-Clothes Bank	
\$8,000	
Renton Technical College-Even Start/Early Childhood Program	\$10,000
Senior Services-Meals on Wheels	
\$6,000	
Senior Services-Volunteer Transportation Services	\$6,000
Ukrainian Community Center of WA	
\$5,000	
Way Back Inn-Transitional Housing for Homeless Families	\$10,000
YWCA-Emergency Housing for Homeless Families	\$5,000
YWCA-Domestic Violence Community Advocate	\$23,000
Friends of Youth/Griffin Home-Construction of two new foster homes	\$3,000
King County Coalition Against Domestic Violence	<u>\$5,000</u>

Total

\$228,300

The Community Services Committee also recommended adoption of the Contingency Plan for the 2003 General Fund as adopted by the Human Services Advisory Committee should the amount of funding increase. Should the amount available for allocation to human services increase for 2003, it is recommended that Metropolitan Images/Renton Youth Day be funded in the amount of \$2,500. This funding will be contingent upon Metropolitan Images submitting budget and performance measures that are accurate, and agreeable to the Human Services Advisory Committee or Human Services staff. If additional funding is available, it is recommended that the Multi-Service Center's Energy Crisis Intervention Program be funded to a maximum of \$5,000. The amount of the allocation will be affirmed during the 2003 Budget process. **MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT.***

Responding to Council inquiry regarding the Griffin Home funding, Human Services Manager Karen Bergsvik stated that the Griffin Home has submitted one application for the General Fund and one for CDBG funding. She explained they had requested General Fund funding in April because they needed a local community match in order to obtain Housing Opportunity funds in the amount of \$330,000. At that time, Council requested that they use the existing General

Fund process. Stating that the Griffin Home needs the local funding commitment in 2002 even though they are applying for 2003 funds, Ms. Bergsvik noted that the allocation of \$3,000 from the General Fund is for the local match.

***MOTION CARRIED.**

Responding to Councilwoman Keolker-Wheeler's inquiry regarding the decrease in funding for the Way Back Inn, Ms. Bergsvik explained that since the Way Back Inn is able to obtain funds through other sources, the Human Services Advisory Committee decided to fund some new programs that do not have any other funding sources.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Resolution #3583

Plat: Parkside Court, SE 2nd Ct & Lyons Ave SE (FP-02-062)

A resolution was read approving the Parkside Court Final Plat consisting of approximately 4.98 acres located in the vicinity of SE 2nd Ct. and Lyons Ave. SE (FP-02-062). MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

Resolution #3584

Transportation: Strander Blvd/SW 27th St Connection, WSDOT Grant, CAG-94-054

A resolution was read authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an interlocal cooperative agreement with the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) for funding of preliminary engineering for high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes on Strander Blvd./SW 27th St. from SR-167 to West Valley Hwy. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

The following ordinance was presented for second and final reading and adoption:

Ordinance #4981

Utility: Sewer Service Connections Outside City Limits, City Code Amend

An ordinance was read amending Section 4-6-040.C, of Chapter 6, Street and Utility Standards, of Title IV (Development Regulations) of City Code by revising policies by which the City allows connection to its sanitary sewer system by property owners outside of the current City limits. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED. Time: 8:27 p.m.

Bonnie Walton, City Clerk